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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Kenichiro SUETSUGU, et al. : Group Art Unit: 3729
Serial No.: 09/889,167 : Examiner: THIEM D. PHAN
Filed: July 11, 2001 :

For: ARTICLE HAVING A CIRCUIT SOLDERED WITH PARTS
AND METHOD FOR RECYCLING WASTES OF THE SAME

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action
mailed April 2, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to
expire May 2, 2003, wherein the Examiner required restriction between the
following Groups:

- Group I - Claims 9 and 10, drawn to a method of
recycling wastes containing articles;
- Group II - Claim 11, drawn to a method of recycling
wastes containing appliances; and
- Group III - Claims 12 and 13, drawn to a method of
recycling electrical wastes.

Applicants also reserves the right to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected claims 1-8 and 11-13, which the Examiner has indicated is patentably distinct.

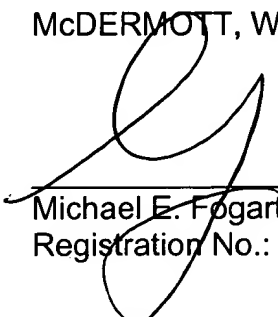
Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0417. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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